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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

MORNING-HOUR DEBATE

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to the order of the House of January 4, 2021, the Chair will now recognize Members from lists submitted by the majority and minority leaders for morning-hour debate.

The Chair will alternate recognition between the parties, with time equally allocated between the parties and each Member other than the majority and minority leaders and the minority whip limited to 5 minutes, but in no event shall debate continue beyond 11:50 a.m.

HONORING SARAH LUMPKIN ON HER RETIREMENT

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. CARTER) for 5 minutes.

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize an amazing public servant. The city clerk of Hinesville, Sarah Lumpkin, is retiring after over three decades of service in local government.

Sarah began her career with the city of Hinesville when she joined the city team as an accounts payable clerk and rose to the rank of assistant city clerk by 1991.

Throughout her career, she accumulated a long list of awards and accomplishments, including being named the first recipient of the Hinesville City Hall Employee of the Year Award in 1994, and being designated Certified Municipal Clerk by the International Institute of Municipal Clerks in 1996.

She took her leadership skills to new heights when she served as president of the Georgia Municipal Clerks and Finance Officers Association of the State of Georgia from 2006 to 2007.

Sarah's guidance and expertise throughout her career paved the way

for tremendous growth and success for the city of Hinesville, and I am very grateful for all she accomplished.

I wish her the best of luck as she begins her retirement.

CONGRATULATIONS TO BRITNEE KINARD

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate SD Gunner Fund's Britnee Kinard for receiving the President's Lifetime Achievement Award because of her outstanding service to fellow Americans.

The AmeriCorps President's Lifetime Achievement Award is the highest honor of the President's Volunteer Service Award and it recognizes individuals, families, and groups who achieve a remarkable number of service hours.

In receiving the lifetime achievement award, Britnee is being recognized for her over 4,000 hours of service to ensure the continuation of America's unrivaled commitment to improving countless lives.

Britnee is the founder and president of SD Gunner Fund, which is an incredible organization that assists veterans, exceptional children, and first responders in receiving vital resources, such as service dogs, therapy dogs, emergency assistance, community advocacy and education, and much more.

She was inspired to start the successful SD Gunner Fund when she left her high-profile career in business to become a full-time caregiver to her husband after he suffered life-altering injuries while serving our country in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

I want to thank Britnee for her selfless commitment to service through SD Gunner Fund, and I wish her the best. I am extremely proud to have Britnee here in the First Congressional District of Georgia.

NATIONAL PHARMACIST DAY

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize National Pharmacist Day, which takes place in January annually to recognize

and honor pharmacists across the Nation.

As a pharmacist myself, I thoroughly understand the role each pharmacist plays as an integrated member of the healthcare team. Every day, pharmacists are directly involved in patient care, and pharmacists are the most accessible healthcare professionals in the country. Ninety-five percent of Americans live within 5 miles of a pharmacy.

As we battle COVID-19, pharmacists should be recognized, as they are on the front lines dispensing the vaccine. Because of their work, lives will be saved. They have been vital resources throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, and they will continue to play an active role in combating the virus.

I ask that you join me in recognizing all pharmacists by thanking them for their work.

THANK YOU, JOHN LEWIS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. DEMINGS). The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. JACKSON LEE) for 5 minutes.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Madam Speaker, this past Sunday was Bloody Sunday. For some who are not familiar with that terminology, the Congressional Black Caucus did a special tribute last evening. But I think it is also a recognition that elections count, determination counts, conscience counts.

So this morning I want to emphasize Bloody Sunday and what it really meant. It was, in fact, to restore or to initiate or to give Americans the free and equal right to vote. The late John Lewis, our friend, our brother, the conscience of the Congress, may not have known what historical steps he was walking in when he stared down the Alabama State Troopers standing with Hosea Williams and Albert Turner and other foot soldiers, staring them down because voting counts.

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